

**Emergency Management Institute** 

## **EMI GRAM**

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**Course: NEW ON-LINE INDEPENDENT STUDY COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT** 

## IS-800 The National Response Plan (NRP), an Introduction

**Course Information:** Department of Homeland Security Secretary, Tom Ridge unveiled the National Response Plan on January 6, 2005. This course introduces emergency management practitioners to the NRP, including the concept of operations upon which the plan is built, the roles and responsibilities of the key players, and the organizational structures used to manage response resources. The NRP provides a framework to ensure all response elements work together whenever our Nation and residents are threatened.

The NRP specifies how the resources of the Federal government will work in concert with State, local, and tribal governments and the private sector to respond to Incidents of National Significance. The NRP is predicated on the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and this course complements EMI course IS-700 National Incident Management System. The NRP and NIMS provide a nationwide template for working together to prevent or respond to threats and incidents regardless of cause, size, or complexity.

<u>Audience</u>: The course is designed for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), other Federal department/agency staff responsible for implementing the NRP as well as State, local and private sector emergency management professionals.

Prerequisite: None

<u>Course Goals and Objectives</u>: The purpose of the course is to introduce the NRP and enable participants to:

- Describe the purpose of the NRP
- Locate information within the NRP
- Describe the roles and responsibilities of entities as specified in the NRP
- Identify the organizational structure used for NRP coordination
- Describe the field-level organizations and teams activated under the NRP
- Identify the incident management activities addressed by the NRP

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